

PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY-PARISH COUNCIL MEETING OF THE CITY-PARISH OF LAFAYETTE, STATE OF LOUISIANA, TAKEN AT A REGULAR MEETING OF NOVEMBER 5, 2002.

ATTENDANCE

COUNCIL: Louis C. Benjamin, Jr. (Chair - District 4), Jerry Trumps (Vice Chair - District 6), Bobby Badeaux (District 1), Robert Castille (District 2), Chris Williams (District 3), Lenwood Broussard (District 5), Marc Mouton (District 7), Rob Stevenson (District 8), Randy Menard (District 9)

ABSENT: None

COUNCIL STAFF: Norma Dugas (Clerk of the Council), Veronica Williams (Assistant Clerk of the Council) and Monica Fontenot (Administrative Assistant)

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF: Walter S. Comeaux, Jr. (City-Parish President), Glenn Weber (CAO), Steve Dupuis (City-Parish Attorney), Becky Lalumia (Director of Finance), Chief Ronald Boudreaux (Police Department), Chief Robert Benoit (Fire Department), Terry Huval (Director of Utilities), Tony Tramel (Director of Transportation), Benny Soulier (Director of Administrative Services), Robert Benoit (Director of Planning, Zoning & Codes), Gerald Boudreaux (Director of Parks & Recreation)

COMMENCEMENT

(TAPE 1)(SIDE A)(029) AGENDA ITEM NO. 1: Call to order.

Chair Louis Benjamin called the Regular Council Meeting of November 5, 2002 to order.

(TAPE 1)(SIDE A)(030) AGENDA ITEM NO. 2: Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilmember Jerry Trumps was called upon to deliver the invocation and lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

(TAPE 1)(SIDE A)(043) AGENDA ITEM NO. 3: **EXECUTIVE/PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

Terry Huval gave a brief presentation on the water rate comparison. The wholesale rates are designed for bulk water sales to customers who resale the product which is in comparison to the retail rates that LUS designed to serve in-user customers. Joe Maniscalco, Public Works Associate Director of Operations, presented the Council with an update on the debris pickup from Hurricane Lili. He stated the first round of pickup should be completed within 5-6 days. The original estimate of cubic yards of debris was underestimated. Once the contractor began the first round of pickup, it was discovered that the amount of debris was at a much higher level and would require additional time. The Council expressed their concerns with regard to timeframe and prioritization.

Weber stated Lafayette City-Parish Consolidated Government's estimated cost share is \$625,000. Pat Logan stated BFI has been fulfilling their contract requirements. The compost facility does not accept plastic bags because of DEQ regulations but Public Works found a facility that will accept the bags. Bobby Guidry, representative of BFI, added his employees were picking up what was considered to be normal trash. BFI has been receiving numerous calls with regard to lack of pickup. His employees have to distinguish what is yard waste versus debris and they are contracted to pickup normal yard waste.

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Upon questioning by Castille, Maniscalco explained the first phase is scheduled for 14 days, second and third phases are 7 days. The first phase is to remove the massive debris off the streets and out of the right-of-ways. The second round is to remove other debris and third round is basically taking care of finishing touches and making a last sweep. Badeaux expressed his concerns with the debris that has fallen into the water channels and is beginning to cause flooding problems. Tony Tramel stated there are crews working in the field to replace signs that were damaged from the hurricane. Upon questioning by Williams, Weber explained LCG has to meet certain requirements by FEMA to be permitted to go onto private property. LCG is working with United Way and Community Development on a possible plan to assist residents

who may not have the means to have debris removed from their property or repair damage to their homes. Weber introduced individuals involved in concluding LCG’s endeavor on debris removal. Buddy Frazel of Omni Contractors, explained the zones were created but not prioritized. Crews were assigned zones in the parish and stated due to weather and other delays the task of picking up the debris has been a challenge but are working as quickly as possible on the removal of the debris. Mr. Frazel stated in 5 to 6 working days, the first round of debris pickup should be completed.

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Maniscalco stated BFI will pickup unobstructed bags of trash. Mr. Comeaux added everyone involved is working with the residents and is moving as quickly as possible with the debris removal.

Bids recommended for award:

ITEM	VENDOR	LUS ITEM	COUNCIL APPROVAL NEEDED	LOW RESPONSIVE BID	ESTIMATED CONTRACT AMOUNT
2002 Wastewater Stock Material	SPI Municipal	Y	Y	Low	\$ 6,858.90
	Lafayette Winwater	Y	Y	Low	\$ 6,858.90
	Louisiana Utilities	Y	Y	Low	\$13,102.45
	Ralph’s Industrial	Y	Y	Low	\$ 2,245.95
2002 Water Stock Material	Louisiana Utilities	Y	Y	Low	\$61,943.65
	SPI Municipal	Y	Y	Low	\$37,514.51
	Badger Meter Inc	Y	Y	Low	\$41,650.00
	Lafayette Winwater	Y	Y	Low	\$ 5,026.00

Jody Williamson of the Purchasing Department gave a brief summary of the bid.

A motion to approve by Trumps, seconded by Williams, and the vote was as follows:
YEAS: Badeaux, Castille, Williams, Benjamin, Trumps, Mouton, Stevenson, Menard
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Broussard
RECUSED: None
Motion was approved.

(TAPE 2)(SIDE A)(075) AGENDA ITEM NO. 4: COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chair Benjamin introduced Claudia Landry, a Mass Communications student at the University of Louisiana at Lafayette who was present at the meeting to work on a research paper. He also introduced Mr. Raymond Mallery, Scout Master of Boy Scout Troop 955 who was present with a group of scouts to earn a merit badge of citizenship. The troop introduced themselves individually along with Assistant Scout Master Fredrick Sam.

On behalf of the Council and the citizens of Lafayette Parish, Chair Benjamin accepted a plaque from City-President Comeaux, which contained a rivet from the former New York Trade Center Twin Towers. Councilman Williams congratulated all those involved in the opening of the Natural History Museum and Planetarium.

RESOLUTIONS

(TAPE 2)(SIDE A)(218) AGENDA ITEM NO. 5: R-063-2002 A resolution of the Lafayette City-Parish Council initiating installation of Saints Streets, Sterling Grove, and Plaza Village Subdivision traffic calming proposals. A motion to approve by Badeaux, seconded by Williams, and the vote was as follows:
YEAS: Badeaux, Castille, Williams, Benjamin, Broussard, Trumps, Mouton, Stevenson, Menard
NAYS: None
ABSENT: None
RECUSED: None
Motion was approved.

Upon questioning by Trumps, Tramel explained the program is designed to be installed to evaluate its effectiveness. If the consensus is positive, the speed humps will remain but if there is a negative response, alternative solutions will be reviewed.

The following person was recognized:

Andrew Hebert stated he wasn't informed of the traffic calming proposals but did agree speeding was a concern. He also felt the infrastructure of the Saint Streets area should be repaired prior to the installation of a traffic calming solution.

(TAPE 2)(SIDE A)(330)AGENDA ITEM NO. 6: R-064-2002 A resolution of the Lafayette City-Parish Council authorizing the Lafayette City-Parish President to execute a Capital Outlay Request and all associated documents for Fiscal Year 03/04 directed to the State of Louisiana with reference to 50-J28-Parish Governmental Complex, Building 3 Jail, Phase 1. A motion to approve by Broussard, seconded by Stevenson, and the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Badeaux, Castille, Williams, Benjamin, Broussard, Trumps, Mouton, Stevenson, Menard

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

RECUSED: None

Motion was approved.

Rickey Verret, Assistant to City-Parish President Comeaux, stated there are monies currently allocated through bond monies but the Sheriff's Department is making this request in order to extend the funds available.

(TAPE 2)(SIDE A)(362)AGENDA ITEM NO. 7: R-065-2002 A resolution of the Lafayette City-Parish Council authorizing the Lafayette City-Parish President to execute a Capital Outlay Request and all associated documents for Fiscal Year 03/04 directed to the State of Louisiana with reference to 50-J28-Phase 1 of renovation and expansion of Lafayette Parish Governmental Complex at Building Number 1 (Supplemental). A motion to approve by Stevenson, seconded by Trumps, and the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Badeaux, Castille, Williams, Benjamin, Broussard, Trumps, Mouton, Stevenson, Menard

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

RECUSED: None

Motion was approved.

Upon questioning by Stevenson, Verret explained this is also bond money approved by the voters and is dedicated for this purpose.

(TAPE 2)(SIDE A)(398)AGENDA ITEM NO. 8: R-066-2002 A resolution of the Lafayette City-Parish Council authorizing the disbursement of annual funding to Acadiana Open Channel, Inc. A motion to approve by Stevenson, seconded by Menard, and the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Badeaux, Castille, Williams, Benjamin, Broussard, Trumps, Mouton, Stevenson, Menard

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

RECUSED: None

Motion was approved.

Steve Dupuis, City-Parish Attorney, stated John Blanchet, City-Parish Auditor, has completed his review of Acadiana Open Channel's budget and confirmed all financial information for the past fiscal year does meet requirements of the contract.

ORDINANCES FOR FINAL ADOPTION

(TAPE 2)(SIDE A)(464)AGENDA ITEM NO. 9: O-265-2002 An ordinance of the Lafayette City-Parish Council declaring the mobile home located at municipal address, 214 Benoit-Falgout Drive, Lafayette, Louisiana, owned by Judson Judice and Monica Munro Judice to be dilapidated and dangerous to the public welfare and ordering condemnation of same. A motion to approve by Stevenson, seconded by Menard, and the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Badeaux, Castille, Williams, Benjamin, Broussard, Trumps, Mouton, Stevenson, Menard

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

RECUSED: None

Motion was approved

AGENDA ITEM NO. 10: O-266-2002 An ordinance of the Lafayette City-Parish Council declaring the building or structure located at municipal address, 1616 Louisiana Avenue, Lafayette, Louisiana, owned by Domas Brothers Equity Trust, Otis H. Domas, Jr. Trustee, Sidney J. Domas, Wanda Yvonne Bertrand and Nola Mae Gautreaux to be dilapidated and dangerous to the public welfare and ordering the condemnation of same.

This item was deferred for two weeks.

(TAPE 2)(SIDE A)(503)AGENDA ITEM NO. 11: O-270-2002 An ordinance of the Lafayette City-Parish Council amending the Fiscal Year 02/03 Operating Budget of the Lafayette City-Parish Consolidated Government to advance funds of \$200,000 against 2003 Parish of Lafayette General Obligation bond sale to expedite the purchase of four (4) additional tanker trucks for the Volunteer Fire Departments and to declare the official intent of the Lafayette City-Parish Consolidated Government to expend Parish General Fund funds or revenues for purposes for which the bonds for the parish are anticipated to be issued and to later reimburse such expenditures. A motion to approve by Broussard, seconded by Menard, and the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Badeaux, Castille, Williams, Benjamin, Broussard, Trumps, Mouton, Stevenson, Menard

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

RECUSED: None

Motion was approved

The following person was recognized:

Carrie Baird questioned if the Volunteer Fire Departments will be assisting in the cost of the tanker trucks. Weber responded the Volunteer Fire Departments provide parishwide fire protection and are performing a duty for LCG at a reduced cost versus if LCG was to build additional stations and supply the manpower.

Upon questioning by Trumps, Lalumia explained the requested monies are to advance funds against the 2003 bond issue.

(TAPE 2)(SIDE A)(600)AGENDA ITEM NO. 12: O-272-2002 An ordinance of the Lafayette City-Parish Council amending the Police Department's pay rules to provide for a 3% pay increase. A motion to approve by Trumps, seconded by Mouton, and the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Badeaux, Castille, Williams, Benjamin, Broussard, Trumps, Mouton, Stevenson, Menard

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

RECUSED: None

Motion was approved

(TAPE 2)(SIDE A)(628)AGENDA ITEM NO. 13: O-273-2002 An ordinance of the Lafayette City-Parish Council amending the Fire Department's pay rules to provide for a 3% pay increase. A motion to approve by Mouton, seconded by Menard, and the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Badeaux, Castille, Williams, Benjamin, Broussard, Trumps, Mouton, Stevenson, Menard

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

RECUSED: None

Motion was approved.

(TAPE 2)(SIDE A)(642)AGENDA ITEM NO. 14: O-274-2002 An ordinance of the Lafayette City-Parish Council amending the FY 02/03 Operating Budget of the Lafayette City-Parish Consolidated Government by transferring \$93,020 from Prior Year Fund Balance to Coulee Ile Des Cannes Projects for repair work funded by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) within the Department of Public Works for additional funding needed. A motion to approve by Broussard, seconded by Trumps, and the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Badeaux, Castille, Williams, Benjamin, Broussard, Trumps, Mouton, Stevenson, Menard

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

RECUSED: None

Motion was approved.

(TAPE 2)(SIDE A)(660)AGENDA ITEM NO. 15: O-275-2002 An ordinance of the Lafayette City-Parish Council amending the FY 02/03 Operating Budget of the Lafayette City-Parish Consolidated Government by authorizing the increase of revenues in the amount of \$114,648

from Emergency Shelter Grant Funds received from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and appropriating within the Department of Community Development. A motion to approve by Mouton, seconded by Castille, and the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Badeaux, Castille, Williams, Benjamin, Broussard, Trumps, Mouton, Stevenson, Menard

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

RECUSED: None

Motion was approved

(TAPE 2)(SIDE A)(680)AGENDA ITEM NO. 16: O-277-2002 An ordinance of the Lafayette City-Parish Council authorizing all necessary contractual services with reference to the collection and disposal of storm debris caused by Hurricane Lili in Lafayette Parish, Louisiana and to provide funding therefore. A motion to approve by Mouton, seconded by Trumps, and the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Badeaux, Castille, Williams, Benjamin, Broussard, Trumps, Mouton, Stevenson, Menard

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

RECUSED: None

Motion was approved

The following person was recognized:

Andrew Hebert questioned how the money would be segregated between the City of Lafayette and the Parish of Lafayette.

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Maniscalco explained the issue of determining where to allocate the funding has not been completed because of the emergency and the magnitude of the debris removal issue. Once everything has been completed, Public Works will be able to determine where to allocate funds by tags that have been retrieved as trucks pickup and haul the debris to the dumping sites. The small towns are not part of the collection process.

(TAPE 2)(SIDE B)(044)AGENDA ITEM NO. 17 - 25: A motion was offered by Mouton, seconded by Badeaux, to approve for introduction the following ordinances, in-globo, and the vote was as follows:

YEAS: Badeaux, Castille, Williams, Benjamin, Broussard, Trumps, Mouton, Stevenson, Menard

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

RECUSED: None

Motion was approved

INTRODUCTORY ORDINANCES – ZONING

17. O-278-2002 An ordinance of the Lafayette City-Parish Council amending the Comprehensive Zoning Ordinance and the official map of the City of Lafayette, providing for the annexation of additional land into the corporate limits of the City of Lafayette, Louisiana, Case No. Z2002-021(A) Points of View et al Annexation, located generally east of Verot School Road south of La Neuville Road; and west of Verot School Road north of Millcreek Road, which is located within Council District No. 9 for voting purposes, and assigning zoning classifications of R-1-A (Single-Family Residential), R-1-B (Single-Family Residential), R-2 (Multi-Family Residential), B-T (Transitional Business), and B-G (General Business).

INTRODUCTORY ORDINANCES

18. O-279-2002 An ordinance of the Lafayette City-Parish Council amending the City Marshal's pay rules to provide for a 3% pay increase.
19. O-280-2002 An ordinance of the Lafayette City-Parish Council amending the FY 02/03 Operating Budget of the Lafayette City-Parish Consolidated Government authorizing the increase of revenues in the amount of \$34,045.00 received from the Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement and Administration of Criminal Justice for the FY 02/03 State DARE Grant and appropriating the same within the Police Department and reducing duplicate salary appropriations in the City General Fund. Grant Period from 7-01-02 to 5-31-03.

20. O-281-2002 An ordinance of the Lafayette City-Parish Council rescinding and repealing a portion of Ordinance No. O-093-2001, adopted by the Lafayette City-Parish Council on May 17, 2001, authorizing and directing the Lafayette City-Parish President, Walter S. Comeaux, to destroy six (6) surplus machine guns which are no longer needed for public purposes; and authorizing the Lafayette City-Parish Consolidated Government to sell six (6) surplus guns to Clyde Armory for a credit price of (\$35.00) in trade toward the purchase of five (5) new Bushmaster MCWAZF-11.5 (3RB) .223 caliber rifles for the Lafayette Police Department.
21. O-282-2002 An ordinance of the Lafayette City-Parish Council amending the FY 02/03 Operating Budget of the Lafayette City-Parish Consolidated Government by transferring \$29,038 from Meadow Lane/Sunny Lane Drainage Project to Reserve - Drainage.
22. O-283-2002 An ordinance of the Lafayette City-Parish Council amending Chapter 78 of the Lafayette City-Parish Consolidated Government Code of Ordinances and establishing Section 78-266 which sets forth a procedure for temporary public street closures for purposes other than construction-related activities.
23. O-284-2002 An ordinance of the Lafayette City-Parish Council amending the FY 02/03 Operating Budget of the Lafayette City-Parish Consolidated Government to provide funding for the implementation of the first phase of the LUS component of the Market-Aligned Pay Plan in the amount of \$509,780.
24. O-285-2002 An ordinance of the Lafayette City-Parish Council amending the Fiscal Year 02/03 Operating Budget of the Lafayette City-Parish Consolidated Government by authorizing the increase of revenues in the amount of \$36,000 from the Louisiana Commission on Law Enforcement for a grant under the Juvenile Accountability Incentive Block Grant (JAIBG) and \$4,000 from the Juvenile Detention Home for the local match.
25. Comments from the public concerning the above Introductory Ordinances.

The following person was recognized:

Lewis Kellogg supports O-284-2002 and asked the Council for their consideration.

ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Council, Chair Benjamin declared the regular Council meeting adjourned.

Norma A. Dugas
Clerk of the Council